

# U. S. BUSINESS MEN IN PEACE APPEAL GREAT WAR FLEET PUTS OUT TO SEA

Would Arouse Sentiment All  
Over Country to End Euro-  
pean War.

NEUTRAL GOVERNMENTS  
ASKED TO FURTHER PLAN

Preliminary Continuous Conference  
to Discuss Terms and Condi-  
tions Is Proposed.

A group of prominent business men of the United States, including S. W. Woodward of Washington, has sent out to the public a peace proposition characterized as "A Business Man's Plan," through which it is hoped to arouse the sentiment of business organizations and individuals all over the country, for the purpose of ending the war in Europe.

The proposal, which is published in a pamphlet in English (Dutch, English, French, German, Italian and Spanish), is accompanied by copies of what is called "A Practical Prayer," which was presented by Representative Calder recently to President Wilson and the representatives at Washington. All the other governments not at war.

Appeal to Governments.

The prayer is as follows: "To the government of the United States, and to the governments of all other nations not at war.

"We, the undersigned citizens of the United States, holding all shades of opinion with regard to the merits of the present conflict in Europe, fervently believe that you will use the great influence of your respective governments, with the governments of the nations of the world, to appoint delegates to a preliminary continuous conference, whereat terms and conditions looking toward peace shall be discussed until peace is established, or until a formal peace conference is organized."

It is believed by the signers hereto that this petition suggests a channel through which negotiations may be opened without prejudice to any belligerent; that it expresses the cry from the hearts of millions of people who desire peace, and as a supplication coming from them through a combined governmental presentation might be made effective; and that this petition will be supported by the people of every nation in the world."

Originator of the Plan.

The business men's plan for peace was originally proposed by Charles L. Bernheimer, chairman of the committee on arbitration of the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York, a member of the Board of Trade of New York and of the Merchants' Association of New York. In the pamphlet which elaborates the plan it is stated by Mr. Bernheimer:

"The little plan that I offer and which I have earnestly tried to make practical and feasible for quick utility has been published in the United States in leaflet form, and in response to it I have in my possession about a thousand letters from representative bodies such as chambers of commerce, boards of trade, fraternities, Masonic orders, commercial associations, civic bodies, colleges; from judges, mayors, governors of states, senators, representatives, bishops, diplomats, hard-headed sober-minded business men—men of note in their local communities and throughout the country—expressing approval of the desire to co-operate and suggestions that the leaflet be prepared for wider distribution."

"In our merchants' associations, boards of trade, chambers of commerce, labor unions, in our farmers' associations, our fraternities, clubs, etc., we have committees of all sorts—membership committees, finance committees, welfare committees, but why haven't we peace committees?"

Collective Action Best.

"Why haven't we active committees for peace to formulate a basis for the expression of the views of their larger bodies? Collective action is our strongest means. A collective voice becomes irresistible. Will you lend your help in establishing peace committees in those associations which stand close to you in your daily life, and a few of which are named above? Let these active committees receive and consider the opinions, criticism, suggestions of the members of their organizations so that the collective thought of each association is finally sifted and concentrated upon this work. This opinion to be communicated to the leaders of your nation who hold the reins of government. In that way only can they ascertain how the people think, feel and judge. Newspapers are not always reflectors of public opinion; they strive to be leaders.

"It has been said that it is too early to talk—to think—or make plans for peace; yet the time of horror and blood have been ruined; the wives, the mothers and the little children suffer beyond expression; and the violation of life continues. Is there one man or woman who would say that it is too early to put forth his or her hands in help?"

"I submit that here as in other matters the public is a party that should have a voice in the final settlement. I feel certain that if it is represented the ultimate settlement will be nearer to the demands of modern civilization and ethical standards. The civilian should be directly represented. There should be men in commercial activity, men in the professions, men in the ranks of labor and agriculture—or all of them; and the women, too, should be represented."

VISITING P. O. BRANCHES.

Postmaster Chance Familiarizing Himself With the City Service.

Postmaster Merritt O. Chance, J. B. Corridon, superintendent of finance at the city post office, and W. H. Haycock, superintendent of mails, spent this morning in a visit to the full stations or postal branches of the city post office to get in touch with existing conditions. There are five full stations or postal branches, namely, A, at Georgetown; B, at the Treasury Department; C, at 1315 New York avenue northwest; D, at 1415 U street, and G, at the corner of 8th and F streets northwest, and ten in the suburbs, including H, at Anacostia; K, at 24th and Channing streets northeast; at Benning, Brightwood, Brookland, Cherrydale (rural station), Va.; Chevy Chase, Congress Heights, Takoma Park and Tenleytown.

LEAVE FOR PLATTSBURG.

Washington Professional and Business Men to Enter Training Camp. A number of Washington professional and business men will leave here this afternoon to go to the camp at Plattsburg, N. Y., where hundreds of American men of affairs are being given military training and are being taught the rudiments of military strategy. So successful has this camp proved that it has been decided to maintain it for at least another month, the period for which this men "unit."

Among those who will go from Washington today are Spencer Gordon, Fred Chapin, Jr., John L. Barr and R. W. Taylor.

Impressive Spectacle When  
British Ships Sail for Un-  
known Destination.

SOME OF VESSELS SHOW  
SCARS OF ENEMY SHELLS

Sailors Impatient at Inaction, But  
Confident of Victory When  
Battle Day Comes.

LONDON, Sunday, September 6.—(Delayed in transmission.)—During his visit to the British battle fleet in the last week the correspondent, after hearing all of the more important ships, witnessed a magnificent spectacle—that of the whole force putting to sea.

Officers on Vice Admiral Sir David Beatty's flagship, the Lion, which has received the roughest handling in battle of any British ship now afloat, told of the difficulty they had to persuade the young commander to descend at the opening of the action in January from the bridge, where he had an unhampered vision, to the armored protection of the coming tower.

Destroyers Foiled Submarines.

They gave an exciting account of the success of destroyers in foiling all efforts of submarines to reach the crippled Lion as she was being towed home at five knots an hour after sinking the German cruiser Blücher.

The places in which the Lion was hit during the North sea battle were not discernible in some instances, owing to the reconstruction of the section where the shells burst. In other cases the location was evident, patches having been placed over the injured plates. A very small percentage of the German shells hit, at the 15,000-yard range of the early stage of the battle, caused a deafening roar, screams of passing salvos and the crack of their own guns caused an inconceivable tumult to sound in the ears of those stationed on the bridge.

The Tiger, sister battle cruiser of the Lion, had fewer scars to show as a result of the North sea battle.

Damage to Queen Elizabeth.

On the Queen Elizabeth the only signs of her experiences at the Dardanelles which were visible were a section of new planks on deck, where a shell penetrated, and a dent from a glancing shot on one of her fifteen-inch guns.

The inflexible, the flagship in the Falkland Islands battle, suffered less injury there than at the Dardanelles, where she was struck by a mine and was under heavy fire from shore. A piece of the mine is kept in the wardroom as a souvenir, and all the ships which have been in action had fragments of German shells set in mountings as mementos. Officers referred to the manner in which the necessity had been foreseen in British naval preparations for taking care of damages from battle, thus insuring prompt repairs when any ship returned injured in action.

Sympathy for the Army.

The correspondent heard repeated and sympathetic references to the sacrifices and hardships of the army during the grilling year of war, while the battleships marked time in their long wait. "But if battle comes for us, it will not last long," an officer said. "Every day's waiting only sharpens our eagerness."

The only color visible in that vast assembly of fighting ships, stretching into the misty horizon or standing out against the green background of the harbor, was the blue uniforms of the crews and the occasional signal flag fluttering from the halyard.

While on board the flagship of Admiral John Jellicoe a message was brought to the commander-in-chief, who called a secretary and spoke briefly to him. The message was that the whole fleet had been ordered to weigh anchor and proceed to sea. "No doubt, two or three are always there," an officer replied, "but the destroyers know how to keep them off."

Destroyers Always on Move.

Cutting through choppy waves and leaving foaming wakes the destroyers, attendant satellites of the great fighting ships, ran in and out at their superior speed as busy as bees. The destroyers were always on the move, the fleet binking its signals to flotilla.

It seemed that if a line had been drawn between the stern and bow of any two battleships it would measure exactly the same distance as between any other two, so steadily were the intervals kept. The crews were out and the slight added impression to the fleet was a superior speed as busy as bees. The destroyers were always on the move, the fleet binking its signals to flotilla.

Endless Line of Ships.

The head of the column was lost in the mist of approaching nightfall and black clouds from the funnels. Eight, sixteen, twenty dreadnaughts were counted as they went past with clockwork regularity. The smoke of other smoke clouds in the harbor more dreadnaughts were coming, before the King Edward and other dreadnaughts had their turn.

The commander of the destroyer which the correspondent was aboard looked at his watch and said it was time to go, as he must take his appointed place in the fleet. At thirty knots an hour he cut across the bow of a battleship, taking his guests to the leading place. As the destroyer rounded the headland the correspondent had a last glimpse of that seemingly endless column of ships until not free from the harbor, on its way on an unknown errand in the North sea. Its numbers and gun power were suggestive of an Armageddon which overwhelmed the imagination, should it ever engage the German fleet.

TURKISH TROPHIES  
AMERICA'S  
GREATEST  
CIGARETTE  
MAKERS OF THE WORLD  
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## ITALIAN FIELD HOSPITAL TWO MILES BEHIND THE BATTLE LINE



The field equipment of the Italian forces had been worked out in every detail before war was declared and the troops took the field. This photograph, which was taken just two miles behind the front, shows the up-to-date emergency hospitals now in use. Note that windows have been inserted in the tents to keep the interior cheerful and more sanitary.

## JOFFRE VISITS ITALY; IS DECORATED BY KING

Spends Two Days at General Headquarters Confering With Gen. Cadorna.

ROME, September 6, via Paris, September 7.—A semi-official note announces that Gen. Joffre, the French commander-in-chief, has visited Italy to be presented to King Victor Emmanuel and make the acquaintance of Lieut. Gen. Cadorna, chief of staff of the Italian army.

The king conferred upon him the Grand Cross of the Military Order of Savoy.

Two Days at Headquarters.

Gen. Joffre spent two days at general headquarters and inspected some of the more important points along the frontier. He arrived at Turin Friday and

was met at the station by Gen. Porro, assistant chief of the general staff, who accompanied him to Milan. The two generals then proceeded to general headquarters.

Public opinion is highly gratified at Gen. Joffre's visit to the Italian front. The press remarks that the French government thus returns Gen. Porro's visit to France, but adds that the high position held by Gen. Joffre makes the visit something more than a mere act of courtesy.

Concerted Military Action.

The Giornale d'Italia says that Gen. Joffre desires not only to affirm the belief in the Latin brotherhood in arms, but in all probability to arrange with the Italian commander-in-chief plans for concerted military action.

Joffre Returns to France.

PARIS, September 7, 12:50 p.m.—Gen. Joffre, the French commander-in-chief, returned last night to France after his visit of two days at the Italian front. On reaching Modena, on the Franco-Italian border, he dispatched to Gen. Cadorna, the Italian commander-in-chief, a telegram expressing gratitude for the hospitable reception accorded to him by King Victor Emmanuel and the army.

In his message Gen. Joffre gives highest praise to the Italian troops for what

they have accomplished in a comparatively short time, and adds: "Fraternal unity united to the French army, which warmly applauds your first brilliant successes, the Italian army marches with sure step toward a definite victory, which the allied nations know will be assured by united efforts, with the same ideals and love of liberty and civilization."

LIEUT. COL. SCHUMM DIES.

Retired Army Officer Succumbs to Illness Contracted in Philippines.

Lieut. Col. Herman C. Schumm, United States Army, retired, died at the Walter Reed Hospital, near Brightwood, yesterday, after a long illness resulting from exposure in the Philippines. Funeral services were held this afternoon at the post chapel at Fort Myer, Va., and burial was in the Arlington national cemetery with the usual military honors.

Col. Schumm was a native of Wisconsin and was graduated from the Military Academy in the class of June, 1887. He was assigned to the artillery arm, and reached the grade of lieutenant colonel in August, 1911. On his return from a tour of duty in the Philippines a few years ago he was stationed at Fort Hamilton, N. Y., remaining there until a few months ago, when his health broke down, and he came to this city for treatment at the Walter Reed Hospital.

## GERMAN SUBMARINE HERO TO HAVE NOVEL MONUMENT

Wooden Model of U Boat to Be Filled With Gold, Silver and Iron Nails.

COPENHAGEN, September 6, via London, September 7.—The next popular hero in Germany to be honored by the erection of a wooden statue which will be converted into metal by gold, silver and iron nails contributed by admirers will be Capt. Otto Weddigen, who commanded the submarine U-9 when she sank three British cruisers in the North

sea last September and who later lost his life while in command of the U-29. The Kiel Zeitung, which is authority for the announcement that the monument will be erected at Kiel, says it will take the form of a huge model of the U-9. It will be the gift of the Krupp and the other firms of the city. The proceeds from the sale of the nails which will be hammered into the soft wood until the model is covered with them will be devoted to the relief of distressed in East Prussia.

Musical for Rosh Hashanah.

In observance of the holiday of Rosh Hashanah, or the Jewish new year, a musical celebration is to be given in National Rifles' Hall tomorrow evening and Thursday evening by a chorus from New York, consisting of forty singers. Rev. Dr. B. Leberman, a prominent cantor, who will be in charge of the programs, has arrived here with his chorus.

Tennessee Post Office Robbery.  
NASHVILLE, Tenn., September 7.—A Johnson City, Tenn., special says the post office at Jonesboro was entered by robbers at 2 o'clock this morning, the safe blown and \$1,800 in stamps and \$300 in cash taken. The officers think the robbery the work of experts.

"I Don't Feel Good"  
That is what a lot of people tell us. Usually their bowels only need cleansing.

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## Tomorrow Is Living Room Day in Hechts' Quarter-Off September Furniture Sale

In nearly every home there is a room where the family gathers in the evening for rest or entertainment—a room that has quite superseded the old-time parlor. It is the living room or library—and the real home-lover endeavors to make it the "hottest" and most comfortable room in the house.

While furniture buying is centering at Hechts', anticipate the needs for your living room and take advantage of the 25% DISCOUNT off regular prices, making your selections from a wonderfully complete and beautiful stock of furniture for the living room. Here are some of the economies the QUARTER-OFF SALE brings to you:

**Genuine Leather Library Suite, \$53.50**  
\$1.00 a Week.

The exposed parts of this massive suite are finished in mahogany. Seats and backs are covered with genuine Spanish leather, over steel-tempered coil springs.

10 Other Styles Up to \$175. All one-fourth off.

**Genuine Leather Arm Rocker \$18.75**  
50c a Week.

A fine library or sitting room rocker, leather in the holstered in genuine Spanish leather.

**This Tufted Couch \$6.75**  
25c a Week.

Covered with good quality imitation leather.

10 Other Styles from \$8.50 Up to \$45. All one-fourth off.

**This Solid Mahogany Wing Rocker \$13.25**  
50c a Week.

Cane back and upholstered seat covered in silk velvet.

**This Massive 4-Piece Oak Library Suite \$12.85**

It consists of one Fumed Oak Table, with rack, shelf and drawer; one Rocker, one Armchair and Side Chair, covered with imitation leather (seats and backs).

**Solid Oak Rocker \$1.69**  
25c a Week.

Designed with saddle seat and wide panel back. Nicely finished.

100 Other Styles from \$3.95 up to \$30. All one-fourth off.

**This Massive Divanette \$21.45**  
Mattress Not Included  
(50c a Week.)

Two pieces of furniture in one, as it can be changed into a large double-bed size, comfortable bed at night—used in the daytime as a davenport. Complete with comfortable guaranteed springs. Massive mahogany-finished or fumed oak frames. Upholstered in fine black or brown imitation leather.

**This Oak Frame Rocker \$4.95**  
(25c a Week.)

Upholstered in imitation leather.

25 other styles from \$7.50 up to \$30.00. All one-fourth off.

## In the Quarter-Off Sale of Rugs

\$25.00 Axminster Rugs, \$16.75  
Size 9 by 12 Feet. (50c a week.)

\$13.75 Brussels Rugs, \$9.85  
Size 9 by 12 Feet. (25c a week.)

A pretty rug adds greatly to the well furnished appearance of the living room—the patterns in this assortment are particularly attractive. Woven in a host of oriental and conventional designs for living rooms, bedrooms and dining rooms. Wool worsted face, wire grade, warranted to give excellent service.

## A Brand-New Piano for Only \$135.00

**Our New Style Tiffany Piano, \$1.00 a Week**

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### Refund Ticket Day at Harry Kaufman's Tomorrow

<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And 10c for Men's 25c White Wash Ties Men's Good Quality Fancy White Wash Ties, guaranteed fast color, at very special price with this ticket	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And 53c for \$1 Fancy White Baby Dresses Fine Embroidered and Lace Dresses for children up to 4 years old, few long ones.	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And 35c for Women's 50c Quality Union Suits Fine Ribbed Union Suits, light weight; taped neck and armholes; lace-trimmed pants; in sizes 4, 5 and 6.	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And 39c for Women's Boudoir Slippers Made of imported cash in various shades; pigskin soles; all sizes; trimmed with silk pompons. Usually 60c.
<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And 39c for Men's 50c Otis Underwear Otis Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers for men need no introduction as to quality and standard price.	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And 79c for Children's \$1 Worsteds Sweaters Oxford, Cardinal and Navy Worsteds for children, in sizes 2 to 34; V neck style, and 2 pockets.	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And \$2.29 for \$3 "W. E. Reduso" Corsets The Famous W. E. Elastine Reduso Corset, in sizes up to No. 36; in four different styles—high, low and medium busts.	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And \$2.49 for Women's \$15.00 Medium Weight Coats Small lot of Women's Coats, in a variety of good materials, in black, navy and new blue. Very special.
<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And 11c for Men's 25c Lisle Socks Men's Lisle Thread Socks, in blue, black and steel gray; double sole and heel. EVERY PAIR GUARANTEED.	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And 17c for 25c "Meritas Brand" Table Oilcloth Meritas Table Oilcloth is well known for its lasting quality. Comes in white, tile and colors.	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And \$1.39 for Dresses Worth Up to \$5 Women's Fine Summer Dresses, of voile, lawn and fancy dress materials. Values sold up to \$5.	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And \$2.59 for Any \$3.95 Dress or Street Skirts Lot of All-wool French Serge, Poplin and Gabardine Skirts, new models. Former price plainly marked.
<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And 50c for 60c Double-Ed Seamless Sheets Made of heavy quality sheeting cotton, hand-torn and finished with 3-inch hem; strictly perfect quality.	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And 80c for \$1 Double-Ed Size Blanket Gray, White and Tan Double-Ed Cotton Blankets, full double-bed size, good, heavy quality; colored borders.	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And 49c for 50c Fine Sateen Petticoat Women's Sheen Quality Sateen Underskirts, full flare skirts, pleated flounces; black, navy and green.	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And 12 1/2c for 17c Linen-Finish Pillowcases Extra Heavy Quality Pillowcases, in 45x35 1/2 size, hand-torn and finished with 3-inch hem.
<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And 59c for 80c Double-Ed Size Crochet Spread Double-Ed Size Crochet Bed Spread, pretty marbled designs; hemmed edges.	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And 59c for 10-Yard Bolt of 50c Longcloth Close Woven, Chambray English Longcloth, in full 10-yard bolts. Very special at 50c.	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And \$1.25 for Women's White Button Boots Made of fine Sea Isle duck; Goodyear welted; sizes 3 to 8; high or low heels. Regular price, \$2.50.	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And 39c for \$1 Wash Skirts Women's Rayonne, Pique, etc., Summer Tub Skirts, good quality materials; full-cut refund.
<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And \$1.05 for \$1.50 Double-Ed Comfort Heavy Quality, Double-Ed-Size Comfort, filled with pure white cotton; good silkoline covering.	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And 78c for Children's \$1 White Dresses Any \$1 Child's Dress in the house in sizes 2 to 6 and 6 to 14; very neat embroidery and lace trimmed.	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And 19c for 25c Child's Garter-Attached Body Waists Made of good quality muslin, strongly taped and well sewed buttons. Garters attached to every waist.	<b>REFUND TICKET</b> And \$4.35 for \$6 All-Wool, Double-Ed Blanket White and Gray Wool Blankets, double-bed size, 70x90; finished with silk binding and either pink or blue borders.

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